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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the reference listed on the attached PTO Form SB/08A be made of record.

The following references, Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication Nos. 5-220395 (w/abstract and English translation), 5-253484 (w/abstract and English translation), 6-210175 (w/abstract and English translation), 7-68175 (w/abstract and English translation), 7-80311 (w/abstract and English translation), which are described in the specification, are being submitted herewith. Also submitted is Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 5-31367 (w/corresponding European Patent Publication No. 0525677 A1 in English), which is also described in the specification.

Additionally submitted are Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 5-245372 (w/corresponding U.S. Patent No. 5,380,692), Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication Nos. 5-76762, 6-100319, 6-304449, 7-299360, 7-116519, 8-217461, 8-224446, and 2000-256017, each with Abstract and English translation. We also submit five articles, "An Intelligent Catalyst," "Regeneration of Palladium Subsequent to Solid Solution and Segregation in a Perovskite Catalyst: an Intelligent Catalyst," "Time-resolved Time-of-flight Mass Spectrometry with Molecular-pulse-probes for Analysis of Dynamic Process in Surface Catalytic Reactions in the Millisecond Range (I)," "Time-resolved Time-of-flight Mass Spectrometry with Molecular-pulse-probes for Analysis of Dynamic Process in Surface Catalytic Reactions in the Millisecond Range (II)," and "Regeneration of Precious Metals in Various Designed Intelligent Perovskite Catalysts," as prior art references.

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The following references, Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication Nos. 60-25544 (w/English abstract), 62-241552 (w/English abstract), 2-265648 (w/English abstract), 63-302950 (w/English abstract), and 11-207183 (w/English abstract and English translation), were characterized in the International Search Report attached herewith.

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